

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7031

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Gail Harmon for meritorious service to the citizens of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated their time and talents to going above and beyond their civic obligations; and

WHEREAS, one such admirable individual is Gail Harmon, the Assistant Regional Director of the Tennessee Department of Health East Region, County Director for Scott County, and interim County Director for the Blount County Health Department, who recently received the Governor's Excellence in Service Award; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Excellence in Service Award was created in 2016 by Governor Bill Haslam to recognize outstanding State employees who are at the forefront of improving the way Tennessee State government delivers services; and

WHEREAS, throughout her forty years of service, Gail Harmon has continuously grown her knowledge of public health and been promoted into many leadership and management positions; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harmon began her career in public health in December 1984 as a secretary within the East Region; she proceeded to become a Word Processing Operator, Administrative Service Assistant, Administration Services Director, Program Director 1 for TENNder Care, Regional Hospital Coordinator in Emergency Preparedness, Director of Family Health and Wellness, and finally, to the Assistant Regional Director in 2012, where she continues to serve with distinction; and

WHEREAS, a certified professional secretary, Gail Harmon graduated from Tusculum University with a bachelor's degree in organizational management in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Gail Harmon's experience and knowledge of all aspects of public health in the East Region have been invaluable to her colleagues and the citizens she serves; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated member of her profession, she is an active member of the Tennessee Public Health Association and organizes regional participation efforts; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harmon has distinguished herself as an exemplary public servant whose commitment to providing exceptional service to the citizens of Tennessee is representative of the qualities that define the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Gail Harmon upon her receipt of the Governor's Excellence in Service Award and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.